

Dear Chairman Powell: I am writing to urge you to avoid further consolidation of media ownership. I am deeply concerned that our current major media--concentrated in just a few corporate hands--no longer reflects the full diversity of our society. Allowing further consolidation would be truly disastrous for our democracy. We must have many, diverse channels of communication to maintain freedom of information and speech, the cornerstones of an informed and free citizenry. I thank you for taking my concerns deeply to heart as you steward this staggeringly important decision process that rests in your hands and conscience. Sincerely, Susan L. Harris, PhD